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## MARILYN MONROE

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In 1926 a girl was born in the charity ward at the Los Angeles County Hospital who overcame a difficult childhood to become one of the most celebrated and enduring icons of all time – Marilyn Monroe.

Marilyn Monroe was born as Norma Jeane Mortensen (later baptized as Norma Jeane Baker) on June 1, 1926. As an adult, Monroe would maintain that one of her earliest memories was of her mother trying to smother her in her crib with a pillow. She wed her boyfriend Jimmy Dougherty on June 19, 1942, at the age of 16. Monroe went to work in a munitions factory in Burbank, California, where she was discovered by a photographer. The couple divorced in 1946 — the same year that Monroe signed her first movie contract. With the movie contract came a new name and image; she began calling herself "Marilyn Monroe" and dyed her hair blonde.

But her acting career didn't really take off until the 1950s. Her small part in John Huston's crime drama *The Asphalt Jungle* (1950) garnered her a lot of attention. With her breathy voice and hourglass figure, Monroe became a much-admired international star, despite her chronic insecurities regarding her acting abilities. Tired of dumb blonde roles, Monroe moved to New York City to study acting with Lee Strasberg at the Actors' Studio, but in 1959, Monroe returned to familiar territory with the wildly popular comedy *Some Like It Hot*, with Jack Lemmon and Tony Curtis. On May 19, 1962, Monroe made her now-famous performance at John F. Kennedy's birthday celebration, singing "Happy Birthday, Mr. President."

On August 5, 1962, at only 36 years old, Marilyn Monroe died at her Los Angeles home. An empty bottle of sleeping pills was found by her bed.